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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 277

Introduced by Assembly Member Hall

February 11, 2013

An act to amend ~~Section~~ *Sections 19800 and 19819* of the Business and Professions Code, relating to gaming.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 277, as amended, Hall. Gaming: Gambling Control Act.

The Gambling Control Act provides for the licensure of certain individuals and establishments that conduct controlled games, as defined, and for the regulation of these gambling activities by the California Gambling Control Commission. The Department of Justice has related investigatory and enforcement duties under the act.

The act requires 5 members to be appointed to the commission by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The act specifies that a majority of the appointed members of the commission is a quorum and that the concurring vote of 3 members of the commission is required for any official action of the commission or for the exercise of any of the commission's duties, powers, or functions.

This bill would instead require the affirmative vote of a majority of those members present at a meeting of the commission constituting at least a quorum to render a decision, to pass a motion, or for the exercise of any of the commission's duties, powers, or functions.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 19800 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19800. This chapter is known, and may be cited, as the “Gambling Control Act.”

SEC. 2. Section 19819 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19819. (a) The commission shall establish and maintain a general office for the transaction of its business in Sacramento. The commission may hold meetings at any place within the state when the interests of the public may be better served.

(b) A public record of every vote shall be maintained at the commission’s principal office.

(c) A majority of the appointed members of the commission constitutes a quorum of the commission. ~~The concurring affirmative~~ vote of a majority of those commissioners present at a meeting of the commission constituting *at least* a quorum shall be required ~~for any official action of the commission to render a decision, to pass a motion,~~ or for the exercise of any of the commission’s duties, powers, or functions.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code applies to meetings of the commission. Notwithstanding Section 11125.1 of the Government Code, documents, which are filed with the commission by the department for the purpose of evaluating the qualifications of an applicant, are exempt from disclosure under Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.